



TOWN OF AMENIA TOWN BOARD

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Supervisor's Report

1. **Wassaic Trail to the Train Update** – The Trail to the Train is open. The Supervisor is going through steps to close out the project with WSP including working on final change order for contractor field office and making sure contractor payments are recorded in the DOT database.
2. **Please complete CENSUS information.** The current percentage of the Town of Amenia Census response is 52.8%. The Dutchess County response rate is 66.9%. The Town of Amenia response rate to the Census is lower than the Dutchess County rate. There is information on the Town of Amenia website, on Channel 22 and on the doors of the Town Hall on how to be counted. Fill out the form now at “My2020Census.gov.” Census assistance numbers are: 844-330-2020 for English; 844-468-2020 for Spanish. Census workers are now going door to door to finish the count which ends on September 30, 2020. Our community could be out substantial sums of federal funds over the next 10 years if we are under counted. This is because the U.S. Census under takes the count every decade as required by the Constitution. The final numbers help determine how much funding communities get for healthcare, road repairs, schools, and libraries.
3. **Town of Amenia Covid-19 (Coronavirus)** –The Amenia Town Hall departments continue to be available by in person appointment only in addition to phone, mail, email and secure lockbox on the building to the left of the front door. Everyone is required to wear a face covering before entering the Town Hall. There are face coverings available inside the front door and hand sanitizer is available. Each department has a visitor sign in sheet. Town Board meetings are held in person with the Town Board, Town Clerk, and Videographer following social distancing and facemask protocol. Public Comment can be made by email or mail sent to the Town Clerk who will read them at the meeting. Planning Board meetings are also being held in person with required social distancing protocol. Court dates are held at the Amenia Town Hall with temperatures taken, social distancing, and sanitizing protocols. We are working on developing procedures for limited recreation activities and committee meetings at the town hall. Please continue to wear face coverings and be mindful of social distancing. Also remember to not touch your face, wash your hands often, and use hand sanitizer. Be well and stay safe.